

praise, approach, SOMA, and be? .to us,
as the
nienter of our rite.

11. Acquainted with hymns, we
elevate thee
with praises. Do thou? who art benignant,
approach.

12. Be, unto us₃ SOMA, the bestower of
wealth^
the remover of disease, the cognizant of
riches, the
augmenter of nutriment, an excellent friend.

13. SOMA? dwell happy in our hearts^
like cattle
in fresh pastures^ like men in their own
abodes,

14. The experienced sage commends
the mortal
who, through affection, divine SOMA, praises
thee»

15. Protect us, SOMA, from, calumny ;
preserve
us from sin : pleased witli our service,
be our
friend.

xxii. 18, Increase, SOMA* May vigour
come to thee
from every side. Be diligent in the
supply of food
(to us).

16. Exulting SOMA? increase with
all twining
plants: be, to us₃ a friend. Well-supplied
with food?
WQ may prosper.

17. May the milky juices flow around
thee * may
sacrificial offerings and vigour be
concentrated in
the destroyer- of foes; and₅ being fully
nourished^
do thou provide, SOMA, excellent viands in
heaven,
for our immortality.

18. Whichever of thy glories
(men) -worship
with, oblations, may our sacrifice be
invested with
them all. Come to our mansions, SOMA,
who art
the bestower of wealth, the
transporter {'over
difficulties}, attended by valiant
heroes, .the non-
destroyer of progeny.